Goddard Space Flight Center

Men's Slow-Pitch Softball Tournaments June 13-14, 2009

WEB SITE: http://softball.gsfc.nasa.gov

Jimmy Clift 2009 Tournament Director

- 1) Tournaments will be lim ited to 16-20 teams on a first paid/first in basis. Typically, Saturday bracket play is followed by Sunday double elimination. The number of brackets and teams in each bracket depends on the total number of entries. A Minimum of 4 games is guaranteed. This may include your first two games in double elimination. All games will be played at the Goddard antenna range fields. Starting times are typically 8:15 AM on Saturday; double elimination will start as soon as bracket games are completed, or Sunday morning, depending on number of participating teams and tournament director discretion.
- 2) The intent of the tournament director is to hold and complete the tournament on the scheduled dates, weather permitting. In the event of inclement weather the following rules may be enforced:
 - a) For very severe weather, the rain date will be the weekend following the originally scheduled date; there will be no exceptions.
 - b) In case of minor/moderate inclement weather, the format could change. Double elimination could go to single elimination and/or one pitch could be invoked. These changes are up to the Tournament Director and do not require the approval from team captains. Team captains will be briefed on any changes.
 - c) If the championship game cannot be played on Sunday teams will return the following weekend (or agreed upon date) to complete the tournament.
 - d) The tournament must be completed within 10 days of its actual start.
 - e) If teams cannot agree on a date, the tournament will be decided on best record when Tournament is stopped.
 - f) In case of rain, call 301-474-1596; call no earlier than 7:00 AM.
- 3) Entry fee is \$250.00; a certified check, money order, or sponsor check will hold a place in the tournament until 2 weeks prior to the tournament. If a team drops out after that time, money will not be returned unless another team is found to take their place. Rosters **must** be filed with the Tournament Director prior to the first game played.

Only money orders, certified checks, or sponsor checks will be accepted as fee payments. Fee payment should be made out to the Goddard Slow -Pitch Softball Association (GSPSA) and mailed to the tournament director (address below).

4) GSPSA enforces use of the current ASA list of non-Approved bats. This list is posted at the GSPSA web site (http://softball.gsfc.nasa.gov). Additionally, all bats purchased since 1997 must not exceed the BPF 1.2 rating and, without exception, **no titanium bats** are allowed.

- 5) With the exception that no player is allowed to play for more than a single team for the entirety of any given tournament, and there is a 20 player roster maximum, team rosters are unrestricted. Rosters must be submitted to the Tournament Director **before** the first game played by **each team**.
- 6) Note: IF THERE IS A PLAYER ELIGIBILITY CHALLENGE AND A ROSTER IS NOT ON FILE WITH THE TOURNAMENT DIRECTOR (OR HIS DESIGNEE), THE TEAM BEING CHALLENGED WILL FORFEIT THE GAME BEING CHALLENGED.
- 7) The tournament will limit the number of home runs to one (1) per team per inning during bracket play and double elimination. Any other player hitting the ball over the fence after the limit of one will be credited with an out (no runners advance).

For complete rules and regulations, contact:

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